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Docket: 0756-1551

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT application of )  
Shunpei YAMAZAKI et al )  
Serial No. 08/691,434 ) Group Art Unit: 2822  
Filed: August 2, 1996 ) Examiner: Wilczewski  
For: METHOD OF FABRICATING )  
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES AND )  
APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING A )  
SEMICONDUCTOR )

LETTER REGARDING PAYMENT OF ISSUE FEE

Honorable Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the Issue Fee paid on May 2, 2003 be applied towards the current Issue Fee due October 13, 2005. Also, attached is the new Issue Fee Transmittal Form PTOL-85, along with a copy of Petition granting the Withdrawal from Issue indicating that the Issue Fee may be reapplied in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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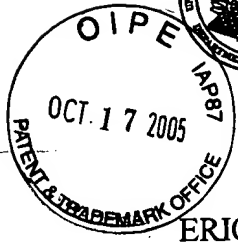
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2), filed June 9, 2004, to withdraw the above-identified application from issue after payment of the issue fee.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application is withdrawn from issue for consideration of a submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (request for continued examination). See 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2).

*Petitioner is advised that the issue fee paid May 2, 2003, in the above-identified application cannot be refunded. If, however, the above-identified application is again allowed, petitioner may request that it be applied towards the issue fee required by the new Notice of Allowance.<sup>1</sup>*

Telephone inquiries relating to this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-9220.

After the application is received in the Office of Petitions, the file will be forwarded to Technology Center AU 2822 for further processing of the request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114 filed June 9, 2004.

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<sup>1</sup>The request to apply the issue fee to the new Notice may be satisfied by completing and returning the new Issue Fee Transmittal Form PTOL-85(b), which includes the following language thereon: "Commissioner for Patents is requested to apply the Issue Fee and Publication Fee (if any) or re-apply any previously paid issue fee to the application identified above."

Petitioner is advised that, whether a fee is indicated as being due or not, the Issue Fee Transmittal Form **must** be completed and timely submitted to avoid abandonment. Note the language in bold text on the first page of the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (PTOL-85).